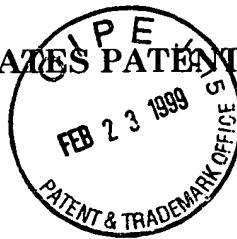


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In Re: FOSSEL, Eric



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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Sir:

This is applicant's response to the Office Action mailed November 20, 1998. The three month shortened statutory period for responding expires February 20, 1999.

**Remarks**

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application and requests reconsideration of the subject application based on the following remarks. Applicant would like to acknowledge the existence of four related cases. U.S. Ser. No. 08/936,188 entitled TOPICAL DELIVERY OF ARGININE TO CAUSE TISSUE WARMING and U.S. Ser. No. 08/932,595 entitled TOPICAL DELIVERY OF ARGININE TO OVERCOME PAIN have both been allowed. U.S. Ser. No. 08/936,189 entitled TOPICAL AND ORAL ARGININE TO CAUSE BENEFICIAL